the committee amendments.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hoagland, are you in the Legislative Chamber? Senator Hoagland, would you please come to the desk. Senator Hoagland has a substitute motion.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: In light of the way the debate is progressing, Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I think it would make sense for us to go straight to a rejection of the committee amendments and then we can take up the Lowell Johnson-Hoagland amendment after that. So I would move to adopt the committee amendments and ask you all to vote against that motion for purposes of expediting the debate this morning.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, thank you. That probably will be much more expeditious. The question is the adoption of the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: O ayes, 6 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The committee amendments are rejected. Now, Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Now I believe I have a pending amendment, which I would like to withdraw.

CLERK: Yes, sir, 2207 from last year?

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Right, and is the next amendment then, Mr. Clerk, the Lowell Johnson-Hoagland amendment on page 932 of the Journal?

CLERK: Yes, sir, it is.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: We'd ask the adoption of that. I'd be pleased, at this time, to give a brief explanation of what that amendment does, if that would be helpful.

SPEAKER NICHOL: All right, please do.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Now, ladies and gentlemen, on page 932 of the Journal you will see printed an amendment that Senator Lowell Johnson and I have worked out over this last week. I